

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

42. A method of treating impotence in a male comprising:

delivering a substance that is a nitric oxide precursor selected from the group consisting of L-arginine and L-arginine derivatives to the penis by topically applying to the penis a delivery vehicle for the substance, said delivery vehicle containing an effective amount of the substance to increase penis bloodflow when combined with a concentration of an agent sufficient to create a hostile biophysical environment which causes the substance to migrate from the vehicle to the penis where the substance is absorbed by tissue.

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42. (Fourth amendment) A method of treating impotence in a male comprising:

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